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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 6,

Line 66, delete the word "ceramics.," and insert in place thereof -- ceramics, --.

Column 19,

Line 54, delete the word "Comprise" and insert in place thereof -- comprise --.

Column 25,

Line 25, after "drains" delete ",".

Line 53, delete the word "would" and insert in place thereof -- wound --.

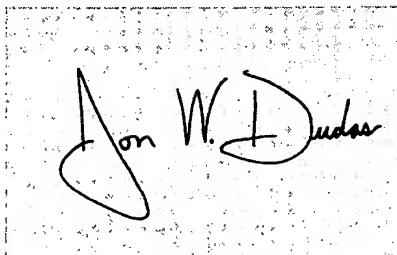
Line 59, delete the word "example.," and insert in place thereof -- example, --.

Column 27,

Line 10, delete the word "tyrnpantostomy" and insert in place thereof  
-- tympanostomy --.

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